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Assistant General Counsel

Monthly Progress Report for February 1948

1. The report of the activities of the Office of General Counsel relating to the Office of Special Operations is submitted herewith. The general functions outlined in the report of 2 December 1947 continue and will not be repeated here. Continuing work has been done on the Special Funds Regulations. Although every effort has been made to complete these Regulations, they presently are in draft form only. The work load of this office has made necessary considerable overtime work, particularly on the Special Funds Regulations.

2. In connection with the work load of this office, the selection of a new man for this office has been narrowed down to one of two individuals. A decision on this will be reached this week, and processing will start immediately.

3. Considerable attention has been given to the question of a contract for what could be termed "career agents". One such contract has been written and received your approval. However, it appears that there will be an increasing need for this kind of contract as well as the internal procedures necessary to carry through the commitments of CIA to the career agent. This office is working closely with DOPP on the matter.

4. The comments in paragraph 3 of the report of 9 February are still pertinent. We feel that this office has some responsibility in reviewing existing publications. At this time, however, we are unable to carry a full load in connection with such a review. Such a review would consist of simplification by recissions and amendments.

5. The work of handling and processing old business is a continuing part of the work and is not an inconsiderable item. While steady progress has been made in settling matters of old business, there appears to be a new item of old business for each one settled.

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